

## Milwaukee County Child Support Services Highlighted in August

**MILWAUKEE** – In honor of Child Support Awareness Month, Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele is recognizing the important role the Department of Child Support Services (CSS) plays in strengthening families and the community. Milwaukee County's CSS Department helps more than 114,000 children a year. Last year the department collected nearly \$75 million in money owed to families.

"Thanks to the dedication and work of Jim Sullivan and his staff, the CSS Department is hitting record numbers and doing it with fewer employees. That means more children are being served and families are empowered," Abele said. "In Milwaukee County, we don't just collect money, we also assist parents with job training and other services that ensure they are a productive part of their children's lives."

Federal studies show that for every dollar invested in the child support program, \$1.25 in public assistance costs is saved.

"The return on investment in the Child Support speaks for itself. Few programs are able to provide necessary services while protecting taxpayers' pocketbooks the way that we do," said Child Support Services Director Jim Sullivan.